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Description:	Case studies of surface water impacts from urbanization/urban stormwater in unregulated areas
Purpose:	To compile documentation on the impact of urban stormwater in unregulated areas

Worksheet	Description
Unreg	Information on published studies documenting the effect of urbanization and/or urban stormwater on surface water resources in "unregulated areas." A study was considered to be located in an unregulated area if it did not have any regulated areas upstream
Unreg Refs	Full citation for all the studies cited in "Unregulated Case Studies"

Abbreviations:	IS = impervious surface LU = land use FC = fecal coliform BOD = biological oxygen demand (when not specified, traditionally refers to 5-day BOD) BOD5 = 5-day BOD BOD20 = 20-day BOD TSS = total suspended solids TN = total nitrogen DIN = dissolved inorganic nitrogen TP = total phosphorous ortho-P = orthophosphate DO = dissolved oxygen OC = organic carbon USGS = US Geological Survey TOC = total organic carbon GIS = geographic information system
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Mallin et al., 2009	Comparative impacts of stormwater runoff on water quality of an urban, a suburban, and a rural stream	Pender and New Hanover counties, near Wilmington, NC	Map, text	Prince Georges Creek (PGC)	Coastal stream	No. (2 Phase I streams were also part of the study but excluded from this table)	For the PGC temporal study: rainfall For spatial comparison among three streams: LU (residential, commercial/industrial, agricultural/forestry, undeveloped) and IS	For PGC, total rainfall within 24, 48, and 72 hours before sampling regressed against in-stream variables Among three streams, regressed land use including residential and commercial/industrial LU and impervious cover (IS range 4.8-13.4%) against in-stream physiochemical variables	For PGC, total rainfall within 72 hours of sampling was significantly correlated with: • increased FC, TSS, turbidity, ortho-P, TP, and BOD20 • decreased ammonium and grease/oil
Tang et al., 2005	Forecasting land use change and its environmental impact at a watershed scale	Michigan	Good Map	Muskegon Lake watershed, 40 subwatersheds	Streams	No. (1 subwatershed was Phase II and is excluded from this table)	LU: agricultural, forest, water/wetlands, and urban (commercial, industrial, high density residential, low density residential, and grass/pasture)	Urban LU (low density residential and industrial was 85% of the total urban area)	Modeling results indicate that from 1978-2040 urbanization will: • for the non-sprawl scenario, slightly increase runoff volume and nutrient losses and significantly increase the losses of oil and grease and nickel • for the sprawl scenario, runoff volumes will be more pronounced, nutrient loss increases will be about the same, and heavy metals and oil and grease losses will more than double compared to the non-sprawl scenario
Wenger et al., 2008	Stream fish occurrence in response to impervious cover, historic land use, and hydrogeomorphic factors	Georgia	Good Map	Etowah River basin, ~80 sample sites	Streams	No. (~80% of sites were Phase I or II and were excluded from this table)	Existing LU and effective impervious area (EIA), historical LU, and historical reservoirs	EIA	The best regression model included EIA and showed: • The occurrence of several species was strongly negatively related to EIA • Some species become rare at 2% EIA
Horowitz and Stevens, 2008 Mueller and Spahr, 2006	The effects of land use on fluvial sediment chemistry for the conterminous U.S. — Results from the first cycle of the NAWQA Program: Trace and major elements, phosphorus, carbon, and sulfur Nutrients in Streams and Rivers Across the Nation — 1992–2001	USA	Map	52 study units, ~459 sites	Streams	No. (55% of sites were within 5 miles or in a Phase I and II Area and, therefore, excluded from this table)	Land use: agricultural, urban, undeveloped (forest and rangeland), mixed	Urban LU	Increased urban LU is associated with increased concentrations of trace elements, ranging from 1.5 to nearly 5 times background concentrations For urban sites with no known WWTPs, 21% of ammonia, 17% of orthophosphate, and 16% of total phosphorus water quality measurements were in the upper quartile (above the 75th percentile) for all sites.
Lussier et al., 2008	The influence of suburban land use on habitat and biotic integrity of coastal Rhode Island streams	Narragansett Bay, RI	Map, text	Wood River and Adamsville Brook, RI	Wadeable, coastal stream reaches	No. (6 study sites were Phase I and excluded from this table)	Suburban development with no known point sources of nitrogen	Residential land use (for Wood River and Adamsville Brook residential LU was 4 and 12%, respectively, with IS of 1 and 3%, respectively)	Increasing residential LU significantly correlated with: • decrease in indicators for stream physicochemical, habitat, and instream biodiversity • most responsive physicochemical variables were dissolved inorganic nitrogen (DIN), conductivity, nitrate, instream habitat • shift in biotic composition of the streams from sensitive to insensitive taxa

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Marchetti et al., 2006	Effects of urbanization on California's fish diversity: Differentiation, homogenization and the influence of spatial scale	CA	Map	~15 streams/subwatersheds in Northern and Eastern CA	Streams	No. (~30 watersheds were Phase I and II and excluded from this table)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hydrologic alteration (dams, reservoir area, ditch density, and aqueduct density) LU (developed, agriculture, and high protection status) Environmental characteristics (mean elevation, mean rainfall, stream length, and watershed area) 	Urban LU (commercial, industrial, urban, suburban, transportation, mines, and quarries)	<p>Increased urban LU is highly positively correlated with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> endangerment of native fish, invasion of non-native fish within watersheds, and diversification of fish populations.
Morse et al., 2003	Impervious surface area as a predictor of the effects of urbanization on stream insect communities in Maine, USA	Anson/Madison and Augusta, ME	Rough map	Anson/Madison and Augusta Rivers	Streams	No. (Two other sites in Bangor and S.Portland are Phase II and were excluded from this table.)	Total impervious area (TIA)	TIA ranging from 1-26%	<p>Increasing TIA was correlated to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decrease in macroinvertebrate taxonomic richness with abrupt change above a TIA threshold of 6% Linear decrease in habitat and water quality
Rothenberger et al., 2009	Long-term effects of changing land-use practices on surface water quality in a coastal river and lagoonal estuary	Neuse River, NC	Rough map	5 streams within the Neuse River watershed	Streams	No. (~80% of the 26 study sites were Phase I or II and were excluded from this table)	LU (urban, agriculture, forested, wetland), number of WWTPs, package plants, CAFOs, and swine operations, and precipitation	Urban LU	<p>Increased urban LU significantly increased:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> soluble reactive phosphorus (SRP), TN, nitrate, and total Kjeldal nitrogen (TKN)
Schoonover et al., 2006	Impacts of land cover on stream hydrology in west Georgia Piedmont	Between Columbus and LaGrange, GA	Map, coordinates	14 streams/ subwatershed outflow points in the Middle Chattahoochee Watershed	Streams	No. (~4 outflows points were Phase II and were excluded from this table)	LU (urban, developing, pasture, managed, unmanaged)	Urban LU	<p>Increased IS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> increased flashiness, more frequent high flow pulses, and elevated peak discharges
Sprague et al., 2007	Response of Stream Chemistry During Base Flow to Gradients of Urbanization in Selected Locations Across the Conterminous United States	Portland, OR	Map	11 streams/subwatersheds	Stream baseflow	No. (~60% subwatersheds were Phase I and II and excluded from this table)	11 urban variables including urban LU, population density, and road density	Urban LU	<p>Increased urbanization was correlated to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> increased concentrations of nitrogen, total herbicides and total insecticides in streams.
Sprague et al., 2007	Response of Stream Chemistry During Base Flow to Gradients of Urbanization in Selected Locations Across the Conterminous United States	Atlanta, GA	Map	9 streams/subwatersheds	Stream baseflow	No. (~70% of subwatersheds were Phase I and II and excluded from this table)	11 urban variables including urban LU, population density, and road density	Urban LU	<p>Increased urbanization was correlated to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> increased concentrations of nitrogen, total herbicides and total insecticides in streams.

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Sprague et al., 2007	Response of Stream Chemistry During Base Flow to Gradients of Urbanization in Selected Locations Across the Conterminous United States	Green Bay-Milwaukee, WI	Map	8 sub-watersheds	Stream baseflow	No. (~70% of subwatersheds were Phase I and II and excluded from this table)	11 urban variables including urban LU, population density, and road density	Urban LU	Increased urbanization was correlated to: • no change or decreased concentrations of nitrogen, total herbicides • increased total insecticides in streams.
Sprague et al., 2007	Response of Stream Chemistry During Base Flow to Gradients of Urbanization in Selected Locations Across the Conterminous United States	Denver, CO	Map	1 sub-watershed near Cheyenne	Stream baseflow	No. (~95% of subwatersheds were Phase I and II and excluded from this table)	11 urban variables including urban LU, population density, and road density	Urban LU	Increased urbanization was: • weakly correlated to increased total nitrogen concentrations • correlated increased total insecticides in streams.
Sprague et al., 2007	Response of Stream Chemistry During Base Flow to Gradients of Urbanization in Selected Locations Across the Conterminous United States	Raleigh-Durham, NC	Map	5 sub-watersheds	Stream baseflow	No. (~80% of subwatersheds were Phase I and II and excluded from this table)	11 urban variables including urban LU, population density, and road density	Urban LU	Increased urbanization was correlated to: • increased concentrations of nitrogen, total herbicides and total insecticides in streams.
Sprague et al., 2007	Response of Stream Chemistry During Base Flow to Gradients of Urbanization in Selected Locations Across the Conterminous United States	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	Map	13 sub-watersheds	Stream baseflow	No. (~55% of subwatersheds were Phase I and II and excluded from this table)	11 urban variables including urban LU, population density, and road density	Urban LU	Increased urbanization was correlated to: • no change or decreased concentrations of nitrogen, total herbicides • increased total insecticides in streams.
Horwitz et al., 2008	Effects of riparian vegetation and watershed urbanization on fishes in streams of the mid-Atlantic Piedmont (USA)	PA, MD, NJ, DE	Map, coordinates	11 study sites	Watersheds	No. (~70% of subwatersheds were Phase I and II and excluded from this table)	Land use including urban (parking lots, roads, residential, residential, commercial, industrial), forested, agriculture	Urban LU (parking lots, roads, residential, residential, commercial, industrial)	Increased urbanization was correlated to: • decreased populations of intolerant species • increased populations of tolerant species and omnivores
Paul et al., 2009 Purcell et al., 2009	Assessment tools for urban catchments: defining observable biological potential Assessment tools for urban catchments: developing biological indicators based on benthic macroinvertebrates	Cleveland, OH	Map, text	~60 sampling sites	Streams	No. (~50% of sampling sites were Phase I or II and are excluded from this table)	Primary urban gradient index (including population density, road density, and urban LU/LC)	Urban gradient	Increased urbanization limits the upper boundary of the final biological index.
Randhir and Ekness, 2009	Urbanization effects on watershed habitat potential: a multivariate assessment of thresholds and interactions	Westfield River, MA	Rough map	Westfield River and its tributaries (~110 subbasins)	Streams	No. (~25% of the subbasins are regulated and were excluded from this table)	IS (~0-25%), LU disturbance, habitat fragmentation, population density, and open space	IS, population density, average size of forest patch, number of forest patches, open space, and land use disturbance	Non-linear relationship between habitat potential/occurrence of vertebrates and IS. Habitat potential increases and then declines above the following thresholds: •amphibians- 13% IS •reptiles- 12% IS •birds- 11% IS •mammals- 10% IS
Weston et al., 2009	Population growth away from the coastal zone: Thirty years of land use change and nutrient export in the Altamaha River, GA	Central GA	Map	Ochoopee River	Coastal stream	No. (Six other USGS station data were excluded as they were downstream of regulated areas)	Population density and LU change	Increased population (decreased agricultural land)	Increased population density and decreased agricultural land use: • Increased concentrations of nitrate+nitrite • Decreased concentrations of ammonium and total phosphorous

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Cianfrani et al., 2006	Watershed imperviousness impacts on stream channel condition in Southeastern Pennsylvania	Piedmont Uplands Physiographic Province, Pennsylvania	Good Map	13 stream reaches	Stream	No. (~70% of sampling sites were Phase I or II and are excluded from this table)	TIA	TIA	For all streams (TIA ranged 0-75%), TIA was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Positively correlated to the number of large woody debris (LWD) pieces per channel width of stream Weakly negatively correlated to sinuosity For streams >24% TIA, TIA was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negatively correlated to depth diversity and the standard deviation of the maximum pool depths for each stream reach
Slawski et al., 2008	Effects of tributary spatial position, urbanization, and multiple low-head dams on warmwater fish community structure in a Midwestern Stream	Illinois and Wisconsin	Good Map	14 sampling sites in the Des Plaines River watershed	Streams	No. (~65% of sampling sites were Phase II and are excluded from this table)	LU: urban, agriculture, "natural landscape" (wetlands, woodlands, other open lands); spatial position of tributaries within watershed, and presence of low-head dams	Urban LU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urbanization in undammed tributaries led to shift from coolwater-riverine specialist to warmwater riverine generalist assemblages Land use change from agriculture to urban was negatively correlated to fish diversity
Tong and Chen, 2002	Modeling the relationship between land use and surface water quality	Ohio	Good map	East Fork Little Miami River Basin, 8 subwatersheds	Subwatershed	No. (~30% of subwatersheds were Phase I or II and were excluded from this table)	LU: urban (residential, commercial), forest, agricultural, barren land, water	Urban LU (residential, commercial)	Urban LU was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> strongly positively correlated to TN, TP, and FC related to sodium, cadmium, lead, conductivity, BOD, and zinc

Notes:

IS = impervious surface, LU = land use, FC = fecal coliform; ortho-P = orthophosphate, BOD = biological oxygen demand, TSS = total suspended solids; TN = total nitrogen, TP = total phosphorous, DO = dissolved oxygen, OC = organic carbon

¹ In-stream impairments are cited from the study and, unless otherwise noted, the results are from the analysis of all sites (e.g., regulated and unregulated). To determine whether these trends are present in only the unregulated sites, the data needs to be re-analyzed with only the unregulated sites.

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Mallin et al., 2009	Yes- sufficient data available in study to examine temporal trends within unregulated area (PGC) and authors stated conclusions for individual streams for rainfall correlation.	Water quality: temperature, conductivity, salinity, DO, turbidity, TSS, ammonium, nitrate, TN, ortho-P, TP, total organic carbon, chlorophyll a, BOD5, BOD20, FC, surfactants, grease/oil	Regression across all three streams showed that increased development and IS percent were strongly correlated with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • increased BOD, ortho-P, and surfactant concentrations • decreased TOC Turbidity and TSS were positively correlated with phosphorous, FC, BOD, and chlorophyll a. Additional data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • daily rainfall • GIS data including position of samples, land use, IS
Tang et al., 2005	Yes, time-series data for unregulated areas can be estimated from graph.	Water quality: nutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus); heavy metals; oil and grease	Forecasted changes in land use based on 1978 LU data for 2 scenarios: non-sprawl growth (based on the lowest expansion index found in MI); sprawl-growth (high expansion index based on 17 counties for a 17-year period)
Wenger et al., 2008	Need to contact author to get data and determine what EIA threshold corresponded to unregulated site.	Biotic: fish distribution, occurrence	When existing and historic LU were regressed separately, current land use was a slightly more accurate predictor of fish occurrence than historic LU.
Horowitz and Stevens, 2008 Mueller and Spahr, 2006	Need to contact author to determine which data in the study are located in unregulated areas.	Water quality: trace element and nutrient concentrations	
Lussier et al., 2008	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends also exist in the two unregulated areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physicochemical variables: temperature, dissolved oxygen (DO), pH, conductivity, stream flow, nutrients (ammonia, nitrate, nitrite, phosphorous) • Habitat: substrate, channel morphology (channel width and depth), bank structure, riparian vegetation, habitat assessment score (based on EPA Rapid Bioassessment Protocols), benthic macroinvertebrates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhode Island Geographic Information System • 3 annual samples for all environmental response variables • Percent impervious surface (1-47%)

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Marchetti et al., 2006	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends also exist in unregulated areas.	Biotic: presence/absence of native/non-native fish, changes in fish diversity	
Morse et al., 2003	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends also exist in unregulated areas.	Biotic: changes in taxonomic richness in insect species Hydrogeomorphology: habitat quality (bankfull width and depth, wetted width and depth, bank erosion and angle, percent substrate, and riparian width and forest-type); physical stream condition (Qualitative Habitat Index, Stream Reach Inventory and Channel Stability Index), Water quality: temperature, pH, DO, specific conductance, nutrients (nitrogen and phosphorus), and TSS)	* TIA for all sites ranged from 1-31%
Rothenberger et al., 2009	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends also exist in unregulated areas.	Water Quality: TP, SRP, nitrate, ammonium, TKN	
Schoonover et al., 2006	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends also exist in unregulated areas.	Hydrology: stage, discharge, flow (frequency, magnitude, duration, predictability, flashiness), precipitation data (from which, calculated Runoff Coefficients)	
Sprague et al., 2007	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends exist in unregulated areas.	Water quality: nutrients pesticides, pH, sulfate and chloride	Samples taken twice a year for 2 years under base flow conditions Extensive GIS data is available, including 300 urban and environmental variables (e.g., population, housing, climate, land cover, infrastructure, and ecoregions)
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Horwitz et al., 2008	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends exist in unregulated areas.	Biotic: fish assemblage structure (abundance, diversity, richness, biomass) Geomorphic: wetted channel width, depth, slope, %pool, %riffle, median grain size	Unregulated sites include only forested (vs. nonforested) sites.
Paul et al., 2009 Purcell et al., 2009	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends exist in unregulated areas.	The final biological index was composed of the metrics EPT richness, filterer richness, and percent clingers.	Primary urban gradient index was developed in Bressler et al. 2009
Randhir and Ekness, 2009	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends exist in unregulated areas.	Biotic: distribution of vertebrate species	All data was compiled in GIS
Weston et al., 2009	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends exist in unregulated areas.	Water quality: TN, TP, Nitrate+nitrite, ammonium, organic carbon, discharge, temperature (30 years of data from USGS station)	GIS data on at least location of gages, population and agricultural LU

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Cianfrani et al., 2006	Need to contact author to determine which data in the study are located in unregulated areas.	Geomorphic and habitat variables: bankfull width, bankfull depth, pools per channel width, thalweg depth : pool depth, bed sediment diameter, category of large woody debris (LWD), number of LWD pieces per channel widths of stream, embeddedness, sinuosity	
Slawski et al., 2008	Need to contact author to determine which data in the study are located in unregulated areas.	Biotic: fish community diversity and composition	
Tong and Chen, 2002	Need to contact author for data and determine whether trends exist in unregulated areas.	Water quality: conductivity, BOD, pH, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, sodium, cadmium, lead, manganese, zinc, fecal coliform	<p>Agricultural LU was also strongly positively correlated to TN, TP, and FC.</p> <p>Modeling results for one site which was located within a Phase II regulated area showed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impervious lands produced >55 times as much runoff as pervious lands (surface flow from the impervious urban lands was 26.59 cm/day and from agricultural lands was 0.46 cm/day) • Surface flow and pollutant graphs for the impervious lands for all subwatersheds approximated that of the precipitation curves. Stream flow and, to a certain extent, water quality is therefore primarily determined by rainfall.

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